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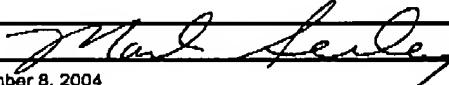
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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20		
1201 66	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3		
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		
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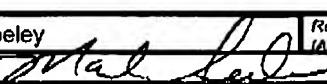
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2262 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2263 475	Extension for reply within third month	
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1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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1480 130	1480 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.128(b))	
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In re Application of:

Robert Chau et al.

Serial No.: 10/618,226

Filed: July 11, 2003

For: A METHOD FOR MAKING
A SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE HAVING A
HIGH-K GATE DIELECTRIC

Which is a Continuation of Application:

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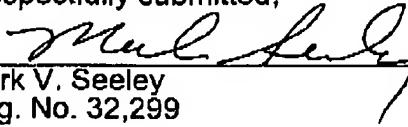
In the office action mailed August 24, 2004, the examiner concluded that applicants must elect a single disclosed species from the 13 listed in claim 21 (i.e., hafnium oxide, lanthanum oxide, zirconium oxide, zirconium silicon oxide, titanium oxide, tantalum oxide, barium strontium titanium oxide, barium titanium oxide, strontium titanium oxide, yttrium oxide, aluminum oxide, lead scandium tantalum oxide, and lead zinc niobate). Applicants admit that these 13 disclosed species are not patentably distinct. Given that admission, applicants respectfully request the examiner to withdraw the restriction requirement.

If, despite this admission, the examiner continues to maintain the restriction requirement, applicants elect hafnium oxide as the single disclosed

species to be examined along with the invention of claim 21. This election is accompanied by a complete listing of all claims in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 8, 2004



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